

Appl. No 10/751,227

Amdt. Dated 05/19/2006

Reply to Office action of 04/04/2006

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the specification, “the firs and the driven pieces” on page 6 line 12 has been changed to “the first and the second driven pieces”.

Claims 1-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In response to this, claims 1-3 and 5 have been revised appropriately.

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Bulanda et al, and claims 1 and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Bair '719. However, the Examiner has acknowledged that claims 3 and 5 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 2 and 3 have been added to claim 1, and the amended claim 1 is believed to be allowable, and claim 4 has been cancelled.

In view of the foregoing amendments and arguments, applicant submits that the application is now in a condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any points remain in issue, which the

Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, he is urged to contact Applicant's attorney at the exchange listed below.

Applicant respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be
5 issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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